



CORPUS CHRISTI CATHOLIC CHURCH

FEBRUARY – MONTH DEDICATED TO
THE HOLY FAMILY

✠ **HOLY MASS FOR THE WEEK – SUNDAY 11TH FEBRUARY 2018**
✠ **6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

SUNDAY 11TH

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(Ps. Week 2)

9.30am Mass *Danny Carroll & Pat O'Doherty*
11.30am Solemn Mass *Bishop Friedrich Ostermann – Diamond Jubilee of Ordination*

MONDAY 12TH

FERIA

1.05pm Mass *Steve Westerm RIP*
6.30pm Mass – Extraordinary Form

TUESDAY 13TH

FERIA

1.05pm Mass *Christiane Brown – Intentions*

WEDNESDAY 14TH

ASH WEDNESDAY

12.05pm Mass *Peter Leigh - Intentions*
1.05pm Mass *Private Intention – TB*
6.30pm Solemn Mass *Austin Lloyd – Anniversary*

THURSDAY 15TH

LENT FERIA

1.05pm Mass *Foundation Mass*

FRIDAY 16TH

LENT FERIA

1.05pm Mass *Ernie Beza RIP*

SATURDAY 17TH

LENT FERIA

9.00am onwards – Church Cleaning
6.00pm Vigil Mass *Pro Populo*

SUNDAY 18TH

✠ **1ST SUNDAY OF LENT**

(Ps. Week 1)

9.30am Mass *Richard James McCarthy & Family*
11.30am Solemn Mass *Mary Polley RIP*

SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION: 30 mins before each Mass, except Tuesdays

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WEEKLY GIVING

Sunday 4th February 2018

Offertory Loose Plate **£642.30**
Offertory Envelopes **£145.00**

*Thank you for your continued
generous support*

SANCTUARY LAMPS

Sanctuary Lamps

Reparation for sins against the
Blessed Sacrament

Lady Chapel

Conversion of England

REGULAR PARISH GROUPS:

Sodality of the Blessed Sacrament: First Thursday of the Month, 6:30pm, Mass, Adoration and Benediction with a different guest preacher each month. All welcome!

Mass in the Extraordinary Form (Missal of 1962): 6.30pm Mondays & Bank Holidays; 6:30pm Second Friday of the month (Contact Latin Mass Society Tel: 020 7404 7284)

Youth Prayer Group: Young Adults Prayer Group each Wednesday 7pm in Church with Eucharistic Adoration and Rosary - Mass first Wednesday of the Month

CaAPA (The Catholic Association for Performing Arts) 020 7240 1221

St. John Paul II Prayer Group (Fraternity of St. Genesius) 7.00pm on 2nd Thursday of each month – Mass, Benediction and Blessing with First Class Relic of Pope St. John Paul II.

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour Saturday evening after the Vigil Mass.

PLEASE BE PATIENT ON ASH WEDNESDAY

This Wednesday, 14th February, is Ash Wednesday – and many people come to Mass here on that day. At present, we have very limited seating, and there is very little we can do about this. So: you'll just have to snuggle very closely to each other at those Masses, to get everyone in. It is a day of fasting and abstinence, so this is something to consider if you do happen to be making plans with a loved one. Masses on this day will be at **12:05pm, 1:05pm and 6:30pm.**

LENT IS ALMOST HERE

I trust you are busy making plans of how you are going to spend your Lent – it begins on 14th February! Which spiritual book will you read? Which extra Mass will you attend? Why not come to Adoration at 5.00pm each Friday, followed by Stations of the Cross at 6.00pm? Perhaps you're going to go to Confession more often during this season.

FASTING & ABSTINENCE: THE RULES

Fasting is to be observed by all those between the ages of 18 – 60. The Church defines this as one meal a day, and two smaller meals which if added together would not exceed the main meal in quantity.

The law of Abstinence means refraining from eating meat and is to be observed by all those from the age of 14. Meat is considered to be the flesh and organs of mammals and fowl. Also forbidden are soups or gravies made from them. Salt and freshwater species of fish, amphibians, reptiles and shellfish are permitted, as are animal derived products such as margarine and gelatine which do not have any meat taste.

Those who are excused from fast or abstinence: Besides those outside the age limits, those of unsound mind, the sick, the frail, pregnant or nursing women according to need for meat or nourishment, manual labourers according to need, guests at a meal who cannot excuse themselves without giving great offence or causing enmity and other situations of moral or physical impossibility to observe the penitential discipline.

SODALITY OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

The next Mass is **6.30pm on Thursday 1st March.** So, when are **YOU** going to join? Every month a Mass will be offered for the intentions of the members. The confraternity meets on a monthly basis for Mass, Adoration and Benediction, adoring Jesus truly present in the Blessed Sacrament. Leaflets containing application forms are available at the back of the church, or you can join online at sodality.co.uk

THE MASS

At every Mass:

- You are preserved from many dangers and misfortunes which would otherwise have befallen you.
- You shorten your purgatory by every Mass

MASS INTENTIONS

To avoid disappointment, request your Masses as soon as possible to guarantee a date. Envelopes are available at the back of the church – please post through the Presbytery door.

CATHOLIC MARRIAGE

Since the now famous “Marriage on an aeroplane” by the Holy Father, I've already been asked what is a possible venue for a marriage? Let me re-assure you: to fulfil what is required by the Church in this land, for a valid marriage to be celebrated, the celebration **must be in a Catholic church**, in the presence of a cleric (deacon, priest or bishop) and be celebrated in accordance with the Rite of the Catholic Church. The couple must enter marriage freely and without reservation, open to the possibility of children, fully understanding what they are doing and intending to contract a valid Catholic marriage.

7 DAY VOTIVE LIGHTS

If you would like to leave a 7 day votive light burning in the church for a particular intention, they are available after each Sunday Mass at £5 each, or from the Presbytery.

THE RESTORATION – THE NEXT THINGS

If you've been into the church during the week, you'll know it's been a hive of activity. Big changes this week: the central aisle has now been grouted, which makes a huge difference. The Sacred Heart aisle is almost completed. The angels which hold the chandeliers are now in place – the chandeliers will be with us very soon. On Monday, we will begin laying the wooden floors.

- We will also be installing the new sound system - the induction loop for the hard of hearing is already in.
- The remaining electrical work will be carried out – and the church lighting will be much more versatile
- The restored and new statues, which are now ready, will be brought into the church, once the dirty work is completed.
- The new chandeliers will be suspended from golden angels.
- The outside of the church and house will be cleaned, re-pointed where necessary and floodlit. The window frames of the house will also be repainted.

Thank you for your continuing patience – please keep us in your prayers. *Fr Alan Robinson*

MASSES THIS WEEKEND

Because of the work taking place on the floor, all Masses are presently being celebrated in the Lady Chapel. So – please sit on the left hand side of the church: all of this area has been cleaned and is ready for you to be comfortable. *Fr Alan Robinson*

LOTS TO DO

As most of you will know – HE the Cardinal is visiting us and celebrating Mass here on **Sunday 3rd June, at 11.00am.** This is the official “re-opening” of the church after all of the work that has taken place. Let me assure you, there is still much to do – and 3rd June is only around 18 weeks away! I trust that some of you will be able to help us with the preparations for that great day in the life of the parish. So please, be ready to be asked. ☺

SPIRITUAL DIRECTION

If you'd like to come and talk about your spiritual life, as a one-off or a possibly ongoing relationship, please have a word with Fr Alan, or send him an email.

Our sick parishioners and friends

Bill Tomlinson, Fr. Michael Durand, Christopher Browne, Margaret Griffith, Pascal James, Jean Bernard, Brian Keenan, Sid Shepherd, Terry Miles, John Hughes, Warren Peterson, Nicholas Pollock, Jack Ward, Traute Pollock, Noël Tobin, Geoff Smale, David Michael Barrett, Christopher Browne, John Lynch, Peter Georgeson, Colin Folan, Ann Gorman, Janet Seeley, Margaret Hopley DGCHS

Of your charity – please pray for those who have died recently: Dennis Gunn, Bishop Francis Walmsley, Joan Cook, Sergio Alves, Julia Teresa Morgan, Fr Norman Brown, Monsignor Augustine Hoey, Fr. John Bruce Elliott, Mary Josephine (Maisie) Rebello DCHS, Carlo Cardinal Caffara, James Johnson.